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For: **METHOD OF OPERATING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
SYSTEM**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the specification and claims as provided herein, beginning on the following page. Amended claims 1-12 shall replace the claims contained in the application as submitted herewith. The claims as amended total two (2) independent claims, 12 total claims, and zero multiple dependent claims.

These changes are made in order to remove multiple dependencies while retaining single-dependent claims of comparable scope and to correct inconsistent terminology as noted in the International Preliminary Examination Report.

Respectfully submitted,

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